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DEATHS IN JUNE

The total number of deaths in Honolulu for the month of June, 1909, was 63, a decrease of 21 compared with the corresponding month of 1908. There were 47 males and 16 females in the list, and deaths by ages were: under one year, 13; one to five, 14; five to ten, 2; ten to twenty, 1; twenty to thirty, 6; thirty to forty, 5; forty to fifty, 5; fifty to sixty, 10; sixty to seventy, 3; over seventy, 4.

Nationalities: American 7, British 2, Chinese 5, Hawaiian 23, Japanese 10, Koreans 2, Part Hawaiians 4, Porto Ricans 2, Portuguese 6, other nationalities 2.

Two cases were of non-residents. Ten deaths were investigated and three post mortem examinations and five coroner's inquests held. Annual death rate per thousand, 19.2. Seventy-one births and seventy-five marriages were reported in the month.

Causes of death are thus summarized: Febrile 2, diarrhoea 3, venereal 2, diphtheria 1, constitutional 11, developmental 3, nervous 11, circulatory 6, respiratory 9, digestive 7, reproductive 1, osseous and integumentary 1, accident and violence 1, manslaughter 1, suicide 2, legal execution 1, unknown, 1.

TOO MUCH LIGHT.

Major Charles Edward Woodruff, an army surgeon passing through here to the Philippines, expresses the opinion that light rather than heat is fatal to white races in the tropics. Brunettes consequently stand the climate in tropical and sunny countries better than blondes. Major Woodruff believes there is too much light in Honolulu interiors and gives a caution regarding schoolrooms in this connection. In the States he has found that blondes suffer more generally from tuberculosis than brunettes, and he is trying to combat the tendency of physicians to give their patients too much light.

PERELSTROUS PLEASED.

A. W. Perelstros, the Vladivostok contractor, was highly pleased with his visit to Ewa plantation and mill yesterday, on which his guides were Chief Clerk Matheson of the Executive Department and Clerk Savage of the Board of Immigration. He thought that husky Russians would be worth \$40 a month at the heavy work. Although he has taken up the matter of Russian immigration since his arrival, Mr. Perelstros only came for a vacation and with the intention of buying a home here to live in part of each year. He became interested in Hawaii through acquaintance with the late James A. Low in Vladivostok.

HAD IT WRONG.

I was in what they call a general store in a Long Island village when a farmer drove up and called the proprietor to the door and asked: "Jim, have ye got any clotheslines?" "Plenty, Tom—plenty," was the reply.

"My old woman says we ought to have a new one."

"Yes, I think I sold you the one you have about three years ago. Clotheslines will wear out, you know."

"How much for one?"

"Twenty-five cents for a hundred feet. That's the way they come. Shall I bring one out?"

"Not at that price. A tin-peddler was telling me yesterday that when the new tariff bill passed clotheslines could be had for 23 cents. Guess I'll wait a bit."

"All right, Tom—all right," good-naturedly replied the merchant as he turned away, and the deal was off.

Fifteen minutes after the farmer had driven homeward I followed him in my buggy, and I had gone a mile when I met him coming back with his horses on a sharp trot. We both halted,

and I laughingly asked if he was going back to take the clothesline. "You bet I am!" he briskly replied. "I just met a sewing-machine man, who told me that the tin-peddler was all wrong. Instead of coming down to 23 cents, if the new tariff bill passes, they will go up to 28, and I'm going to save that three cents or bust my wagon!"

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IT DON'T PAY.

The man was sitting on his front steps smoking his pipe after his day's work, when a pedestrian came along and halted to ask:

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"No sir!" was the reply.

"Does Mr. Thomas live here?"

"No, sir."

"Does Mr. O'Kelly live here?"

"Well, does Jim McGraw live here?" continued the stranger.

"He does not," was the answer.

"Nor Mr. White?"

"I'm sorry."

"So am I, if it disappoints you. May I ask what you wanted of the gentlemen you have named?"

"You may. I wanted to lick at least one of them out of his boots, but it's

my hard luck to find I'm on the wrong street."

"As to that, sir, you needn't go away disappointed. I'll give you a twist myself."

"Will you? That's very kind. Come on."

"After a conflict lasting 10 minutes the stranger went his way, and the other returned to the steps to be told by his wife:

"Tom, your nose is broke."

"Yes."

"And you've lost teeth."

"I have."

"And you'll be bunged-up for days."

"I will. It never did and never will pay to accommodate every stranger that comes along, and I'm going to quit!"



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